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SONIC

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NEW
SONICS' WORLD
STORY

NO EXIT!

YOUR GUIDE TO THE WORLD OF SONIC THE COMIC (STC) & SEGA. PRESENTED BY YOUR HOST, MEGADROID.

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Hey, Boomers!

A live and kickin' Rugrats FREE gift is yours to keep this issue with the biggest, bestest comic in the whole wide world!

When you've checked out the action-packed conclusions to Sonic, Knuckles and Decap, the Roller Badnik Pin-up, and the stonking Red Nose Zone, make a date in your diaries for 19 March 1997 - the official on sale date for STC 100...

For the first time in STC's history, a Sonic story of epic proportions, The Final Victory, starts in the main Sonic strip, continues in the Knuckles strip, through to the Doctor Robotnik story and finally ends in Sonic's World! And that's not all, there'll be another fabulous free gift (STC Transfers) and a circuit blowing Sonic pin-up - phew!

So, get ready to celebrate in style with the Sega superstars - Believe me, the wait will be worth it!

Megadroid

UKCAC '97! MEET THE STC CREW!

Another date to note is Sunday, 16 March at 3.00pm. The event is another STC signing at the UK Comic Art Convention (UKCAC), to be held at the Institute of Education, Bedford Way, London, WC1.

Come along and meet the STC creators in the flesh, brush up on your quick-fire questions, and request sketches from the likes of Nigel Dobbyn, Richard Elson, Carl Flint, Nigel Kitching and Lew Stringer to name but a few!

What's more, everyone under 14 years of age will be admitted FREE, provided they are accompanied by an adult (also admitted free, but not before the STC signing).

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SONIC

THE HEDGEHOG

DOOMSDAY

Page 3

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THE SPECIAL ZONE'S BLACK ASTEROID GLOWS LIKE A SECOND SUN AS IT'S HEATED FROM WITHIN BY THE IMPRISONED SUPER SONIC.

SOON IT WILL EXPLODE!

WHERE ARE THEY?
WE MUST FIND
LORD SIDEWINDER AND
HIS GANG BEFORE IT'S
TOO LATE!

SONIC AND THE
CHAOTIX CREW
CONTINUE THEIR
SEARCH.

I'M NOT PICKING UP SIDEWINDER'S
SHIP ON THE SCANNER ANYMORE,
SONIC! OH DEARY-DIDDLY-DE!

HE MUST HAVE
LANDED, CHARMY!

LORD SIDEWINDER HAS
SOME CRAZY PLAN TO
GET CONTROL OF SUPER
SONIC... WE CAN'T LET
THAT HAPPEN!

WE'VE
GOT TO FIND
THEM!

MEANWHILE, BACK IN NEW TEK CITY, VECTOR IS AT THE TOP SECRET SCIENTIFIC LABORATORY KNOWN AS EQUINOX.

I REALLY APPRECIATE YOUR HELP.

WE OWE YOU, VECTOR... IT'S THE LEAST WE COULD DO!

LOOK! SOMETHING'S HAPPENING...

IT'S THE OMNI-VIEWER... HE'S BACK!

IT WORKED! HOWEVER, I WAS ABLE TO TELEPORT TO MOBIUS... I BRING TERRIBLE NEWS!

*SEE KNUCKLES' OWN STRIP LAST ISSUE - Megadroid.

EVERYTHING SEEMS IN ORDER... THE EXPERIMENT WAS A COMPLETE SUCCESS!

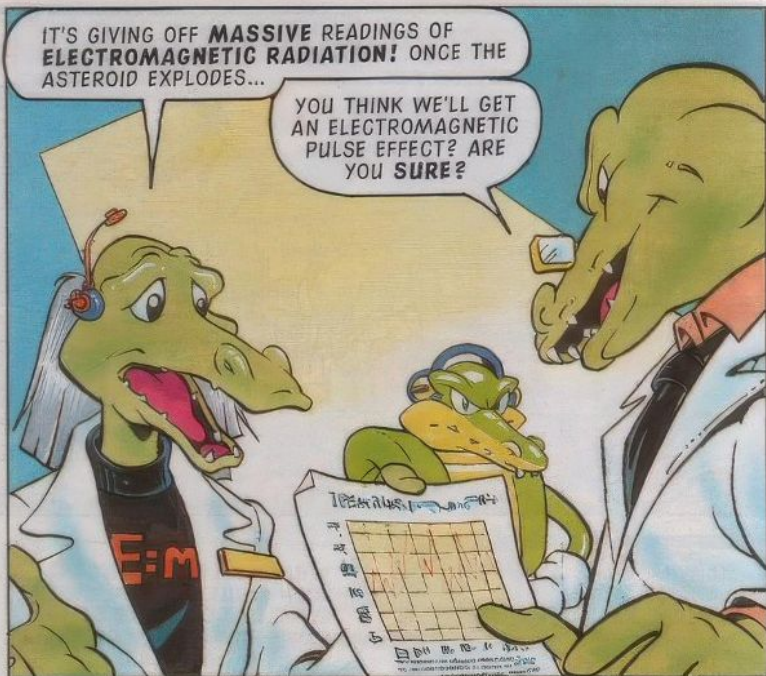
AND IF WE WERE ABLE TO ENERGISE THE OMNI-VIEWER WITH ENOUGH POWER FOR HIM TO TELEPORT TO MOBIUS...

THEN YOU CAN GIVE HIM A COMPLETE RECHARGE... HE'LL BE BACK TO FULL POWER!

DO IT QUICKLY... I'VE GOT TO GET TO SONIC!

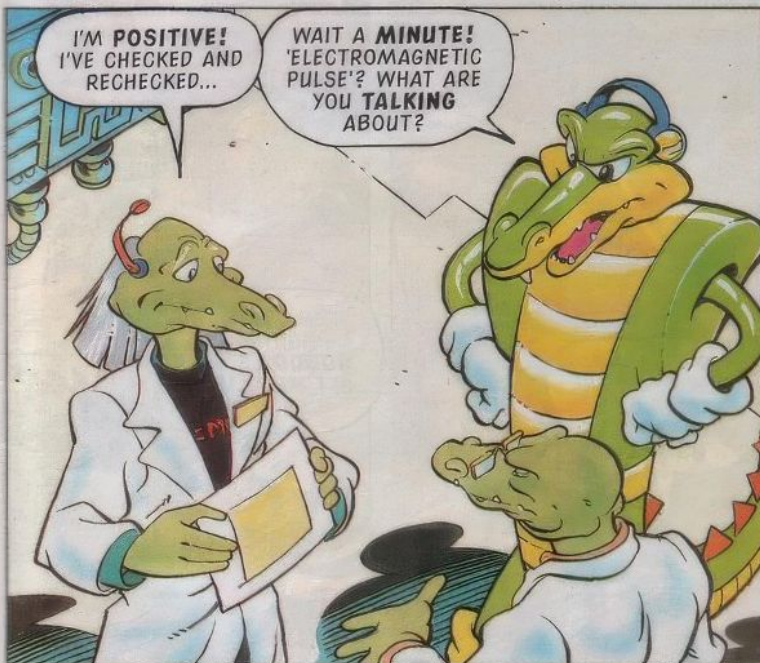


I'VE JUST ANALYSED THE READING FROM THE BLACK ASTEROID... IT ISN'T GOOD!



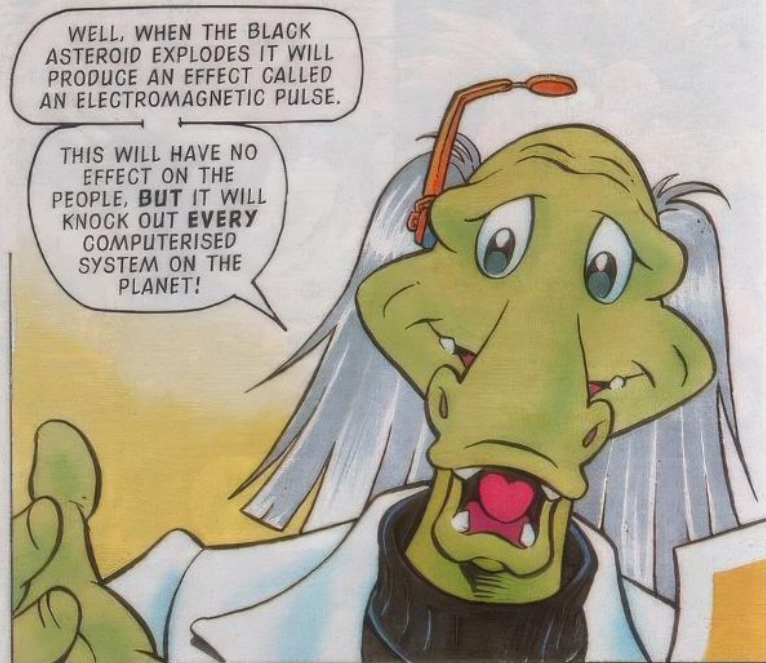
IT'S GIVING OFF **MASSIVE** READINGS OF **ELECTROMAGNETIC RADIATION!** ONCE THE ASTEROID EXPLODES...

YOU THINK WE'LL GET AN ELECTROMAGNETIC PULSE EFFECT? ARE YOU **SURE?**



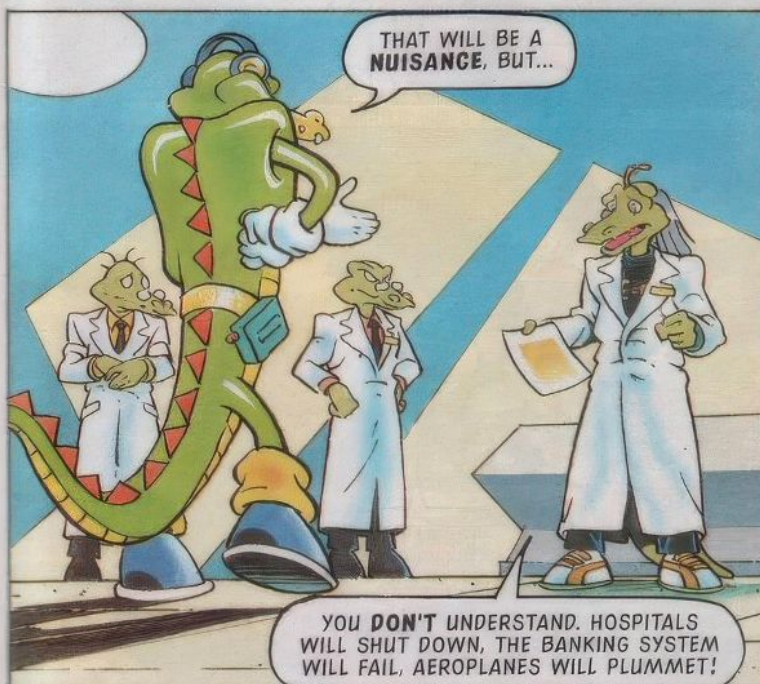
I'M **POSITIVE!** I'VE CHECKED AND RECHECKED...

WAIT A **MINUTE!** 'ELECTROMAGNETIC PULSE'? WHAT ARE YOU **TALKING** ABOUT?



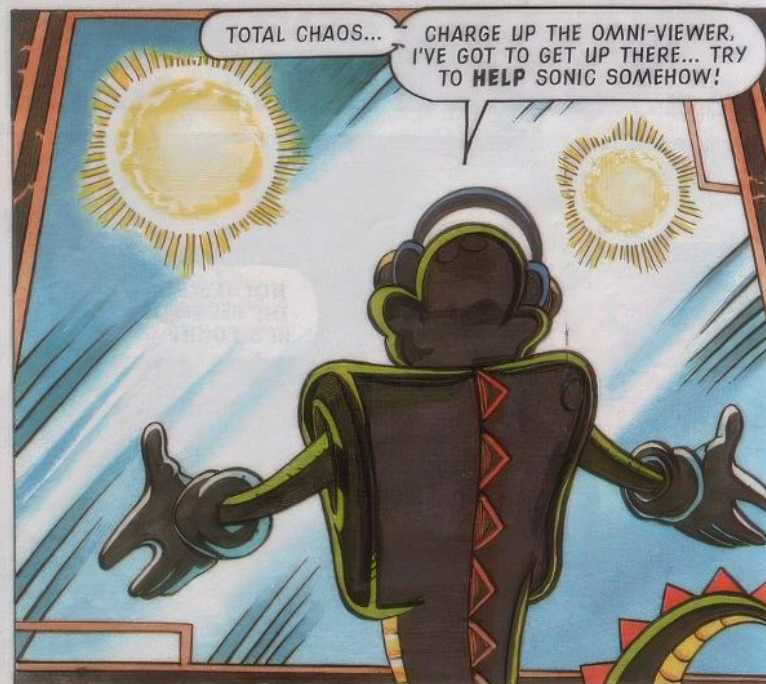
WELL, WHEN THE BLACK ASTEROID EXPLODES IT WILL PRODUCE AN EFFECT CALLED AN ELECTROMAGNETIC PULSE.

THIS WILL HAVE NO EFFECT ON THE PEOPLE, **BUT** IT WILL KNOCK OUT **EVERY** COMPUTERISED SYSTEM ON THE PLANET!



THAT WILL BE A **NUISANCE**, BUT...

YOU **DON'T** UNDERSTAND. HOSPITALS WILL SHUT DOWN, THE BANKING SYSTEM WILL FAIL, AEROPLANES WILL PLUMMET!



TOTAL CHAOS...

CHARGE UP THE OMNI-VIEWER, I'VE GOT TO GET UP THERE... TRY TO **HELP** SONIC SOMEHOW!

MEANWHILE, LORD SIDEWINDER AND HIS GANG HAVE TAKEN UP POSITION ON AN ASTEROID NEAR TO THEIR GOAL.

SUPER SONIC IS INSIDE O' THAT, LORD SIDEWINDER?

CORRECT, MR FRY!

SO, WHAT'S YER PLAN? AIN'T IT DANGEROUS US BEING SO CLOSE?

DANGEROUS?

WHAT'S A LITTLE DANGER... SOON I WILL CONTROL SUPER SONIC... SOON I WILL BE THE MOST POWERFUL CREATURE IN THE GALAXY!

AN' HOW YER GONNA DO DAT?

WHEN THE ASTEROID EXPLODES, I WILL CALL HIM TO ME WITH THE POWER OF MY MIND...

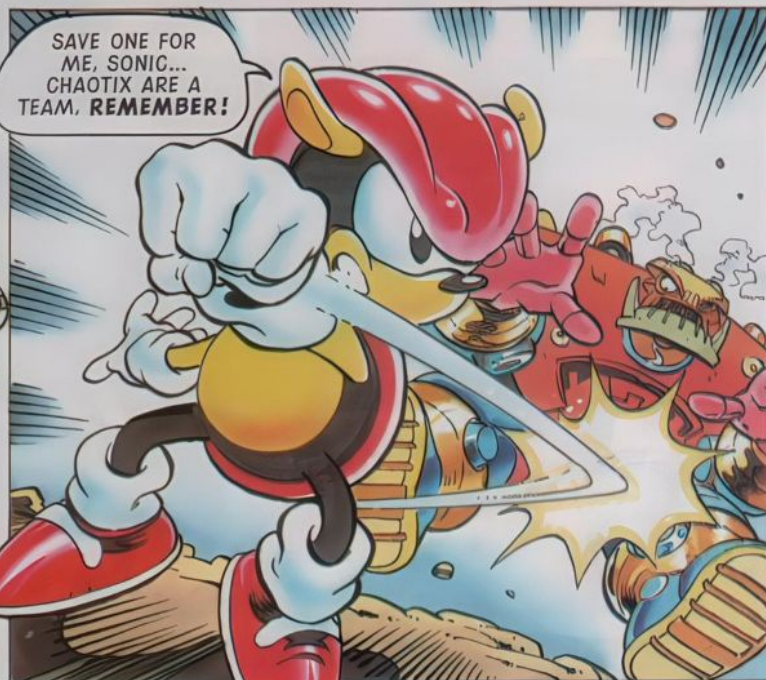
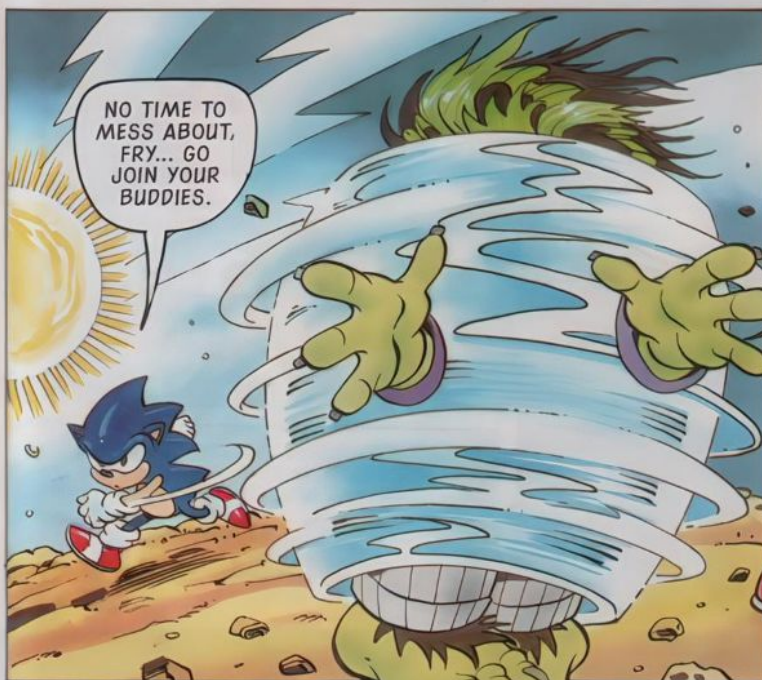
YER A LOONY, SIDEWINDER! THE EXPLOSION'S GONNA KILL US ALL!

YOU WILL DO AS LORD SIDEWINDER SAYS, BIO-HAZARD!

KEEP OUTTA THIS, LIGHTMARE! NOBODY'S GONNA GET ME KILLED IF I CAN HELP IT!

NO! IT'S SONIC THE HEDGEHOG... HE'S FOUND US!

YOU BETTER BELIEVE IT, CREEP!





OMNI-VIEWER!
YOU'RE
OKAY?

GOOD
AS NEW,
SONIC!



SONIC LISTEN, WE'RE IN **BIG TROUBLE!**

DOCTOR ROBOTNIK HAS **CAPTURED** THE
EMERALD HILL FOLK ON THE FLOATING
ISLAND! HE'S ABOUT TO TURN THEM
INTO A BIOLOGICAL COMPUTER...
PERMANENTLY!

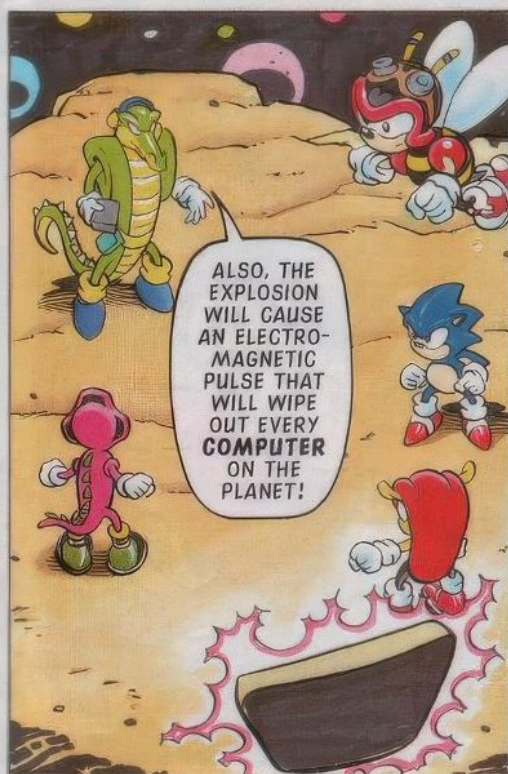


THAT'S **NOT ALL!** READINGS SHOW
THAT THE **BLACK ASTEROID** WILL
EXPLODE IN THIRTY SECONDS!



OMNI,
GET ME TO THE
FLOATING ISLAND,
NOW!

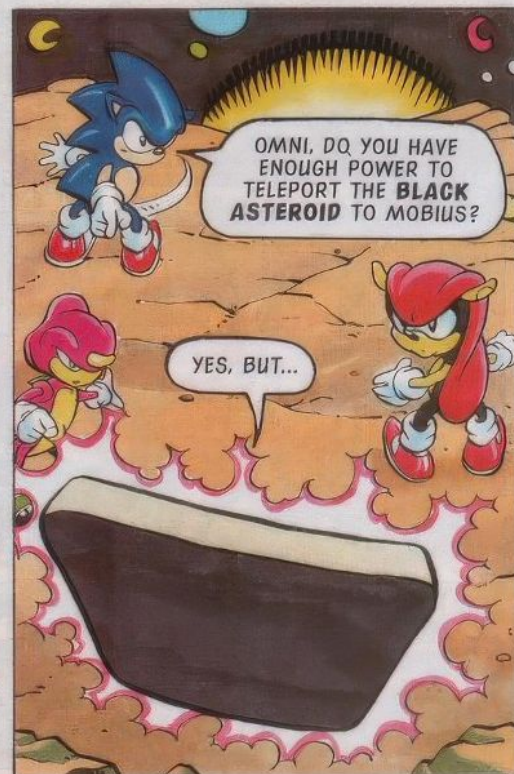
BUT... I **CAN'T** LEAVE THE
SPECIAL ZONE AT THE
MERCY OF SUPER SONIC...
WHAT DO I DO?



ALSO, THE
EXPLOSION
WILL CAUSE
AN ELECTRO-
MAGNETIC
PULSE THAT
WILL WIPE
OUT EVERY
COMPUTER
ON THE
PLANET!

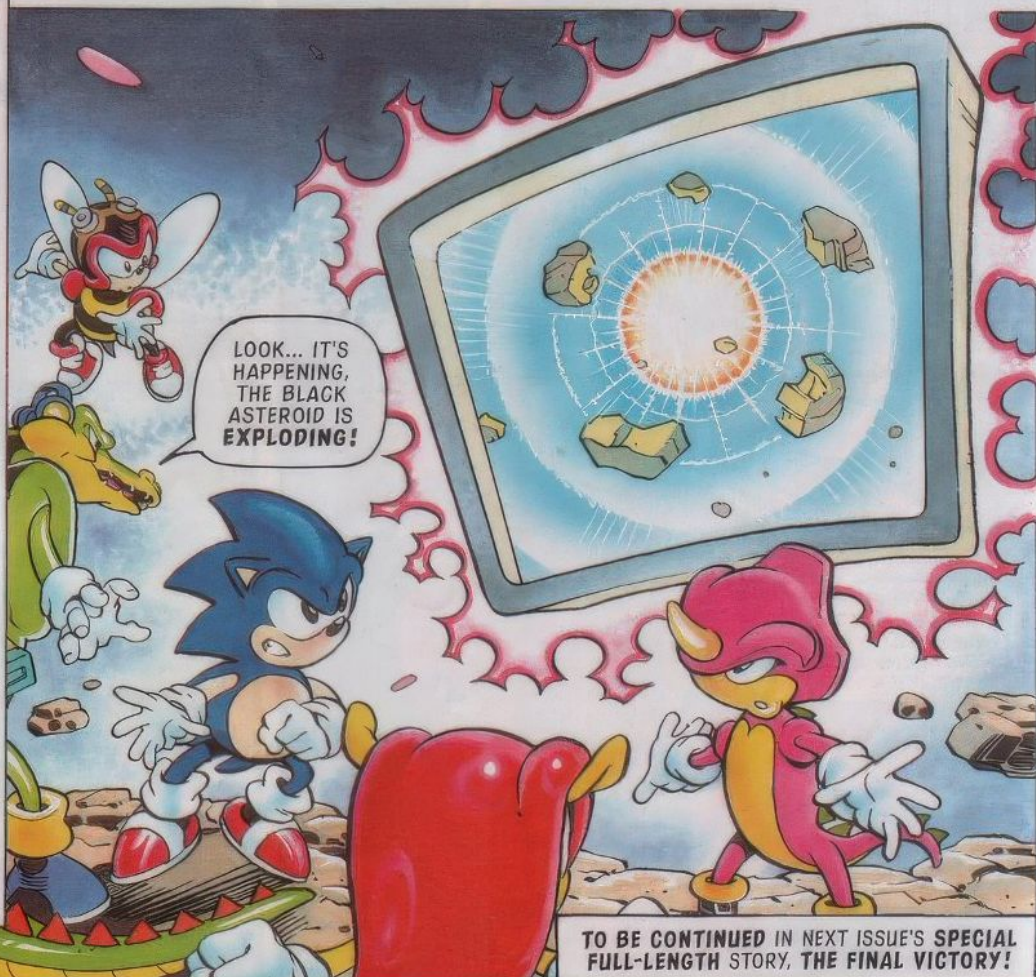
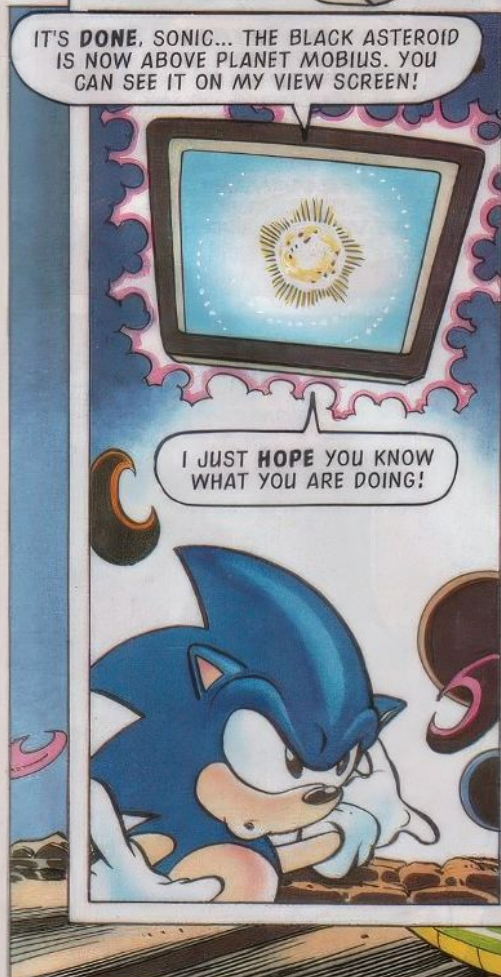
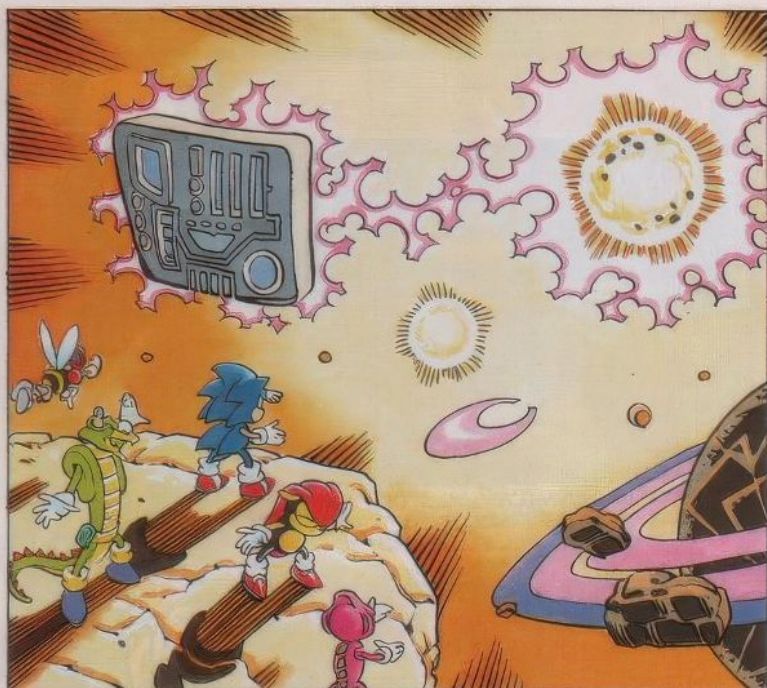


WIPE OUT EVERY
COMPUTER...



OMNI, DO YOU HAVE
ENOUGH POWER TO
TELEPORT THE **BLACK**
ASTEROID TO MOBIUS?

YES, BUT...



TO BE CONTINUED IN NEXT ISSUE'S SPECIAL FULL-LENGTH STORY, THE FINAL VICTORY!



Script: MIGEL RITCHIHO
Art: MIGEL DOBOYH
Lettering: ELIITA FELD

Part 3

ON THE FLOATING ISLAND DOCTOR ROBOTNIK HAS FINALLY CAPTURED THE EMERALD HILL FOLK... NOT TO MENTION KNUCKLES!

HE PLANS TO TAKE HIS REVENGE BY TURNING THEM ALL INTO AN ENORMOUS BIOLOGICAL COMPUTER!



ONCE THIS INITIALISATION SEQUENCE IS COMPLETE I WILL THROW THE MASTER SWITCH!

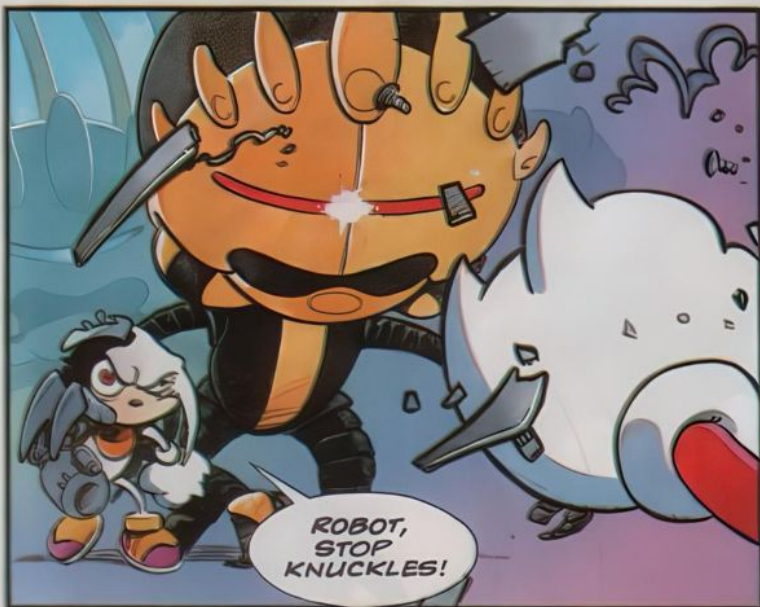


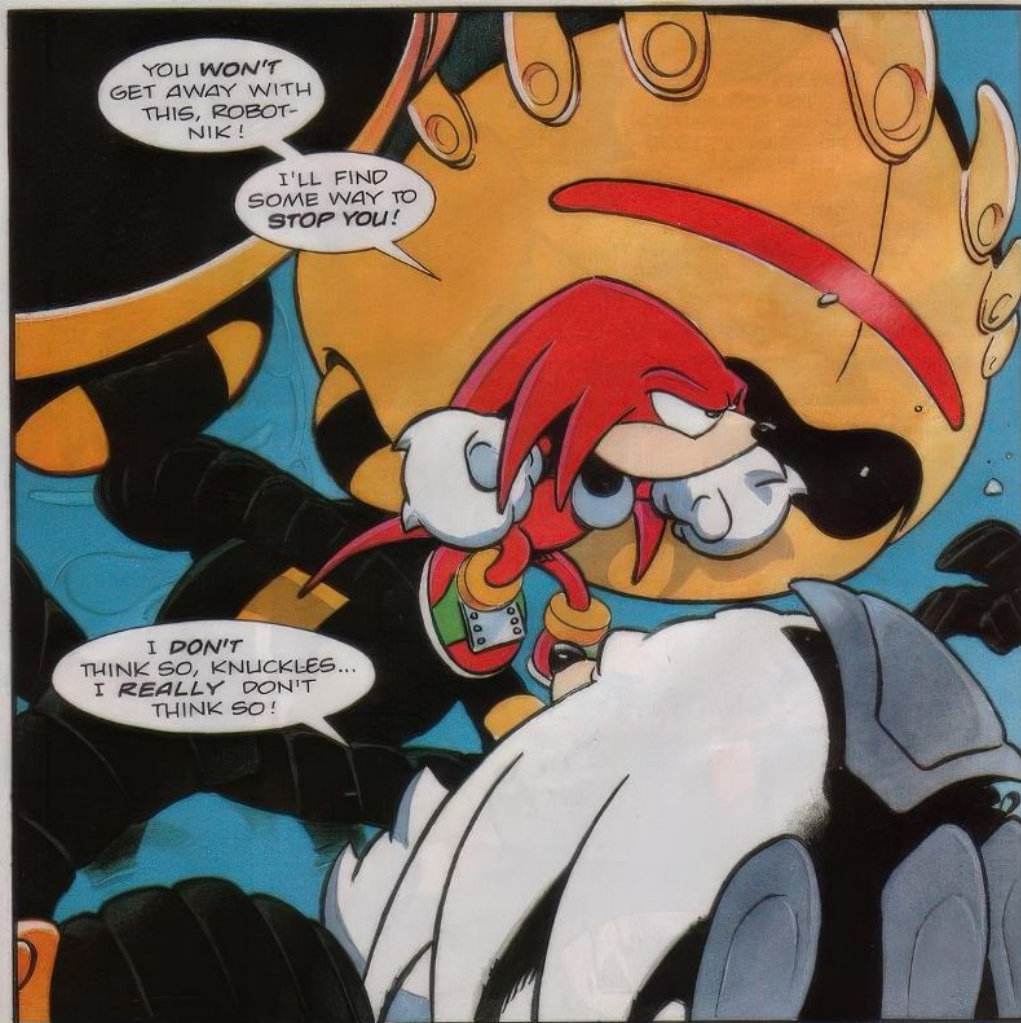
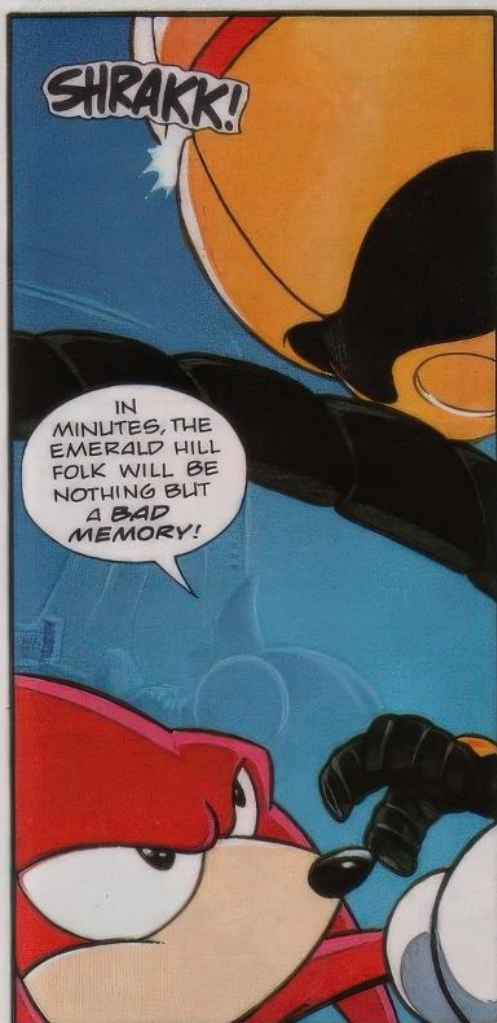
THEN YOUR **FEEBLE MINDS** WILL BE COMBINED WITH THE ELECTRONICS OF MY MACHINE!

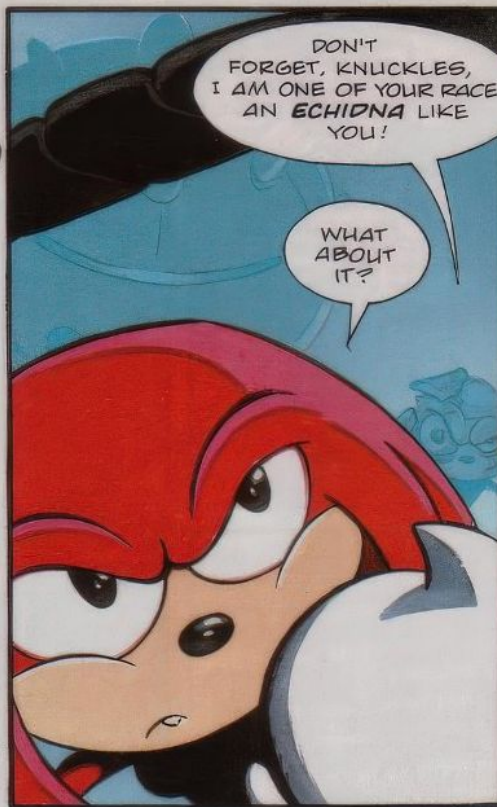
THE PROCESS IS **PERMANENT**... ONCE IT IS COMPLETED IT CAN NEVER BE LINDONE!
HAHAHAHA!

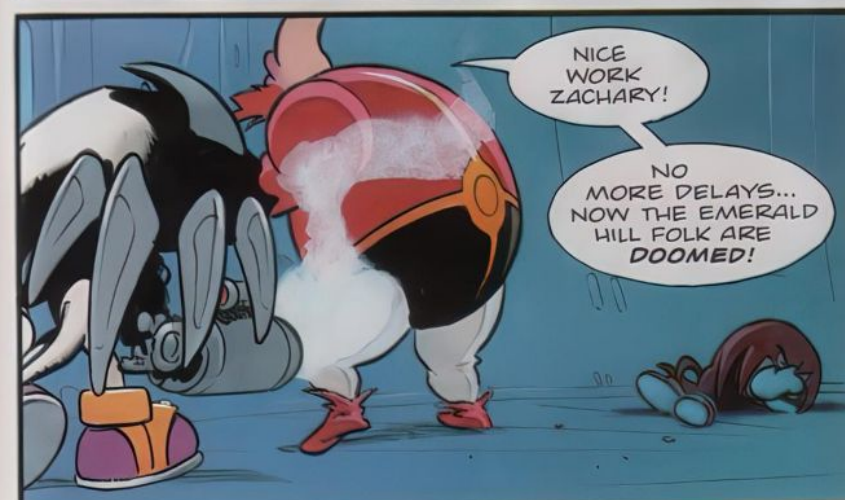


TIME'S RUNNING OUT... I'VE GOT TO ESCAPE **SOMEHOW** BEFORE IT'S **TOO LATE!**









Decap ATTACK

DEAD!

Part 3

SCRIPT: NIGEL KITCHING & RICHARD RAYNER ART: MICK McMAHON LETTERING: ELLIE DE'VILLE

PROFESSOR FRANK N STEIN, IGOR, CHUCK AND HEAD HAVE ARRIVED AT HELL CENTRAL.

HOW MANY TIMES DO I HAVE TO TELL YOU? I'M NOT DEAD!

YOU'RE JUST MAKING IT WORSE FOR YOURSELF!

YES, DON'T MAKE SUCH A FUSS. ETERNAL TORTURE ONLY HURTS FOR, WELL, ETERNITY REALLY!

I'M NOT GOING TO HELL AND YOU WEIRDOS CAN'T MAKE ME!

KEEP YOUR VOICE DOWN, PEOPLE ARE STARING!

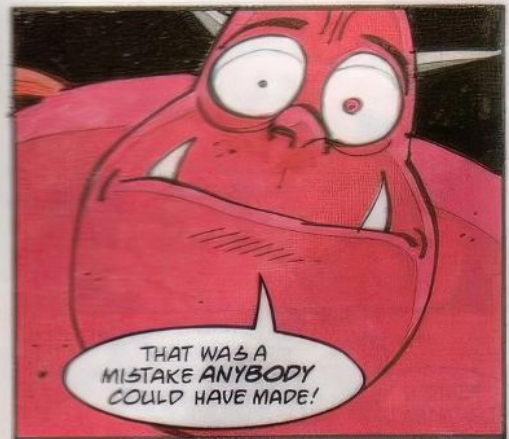
HAVING A LITTLE TROUBLE, BOYS?



OH NO
IT'S THE THIN
CONTROLLER!



YOU'VE
DONE IT AGAIN,
HAVEN'T YOU, MAX?
THESE PEOPLE
AREN'T DEAD!
YOU WERE WARNED
LAST WEEK WHEN YOU
BROUGHT DOWN THE
MIDDLESBROUGH
FOOTBALL
TEAM!



THAT WAS A
MISTAKE ANYBODY
COULD HAVE MADE!



SO THREE
LIVING PEOPLE
GO TO HELL. WHO'S
TO KNOW?

WELL ...



OH, ALL
RIGHT. BUT
JUST THIS
ONCE!

BOYS,
TAKE THEM
AWAY!

THIS IS
TURNING INTO
ONE OF THOSE
DAYS!



COME ON NOW, WE'VE GOT A NICE SULPHUR PIT WAITING FOR YOU!

I THINK I'M GOING TO FAINT!

NO-ONE'S GOING TO ANY SULPHUR PIT, MATEY-BOY!

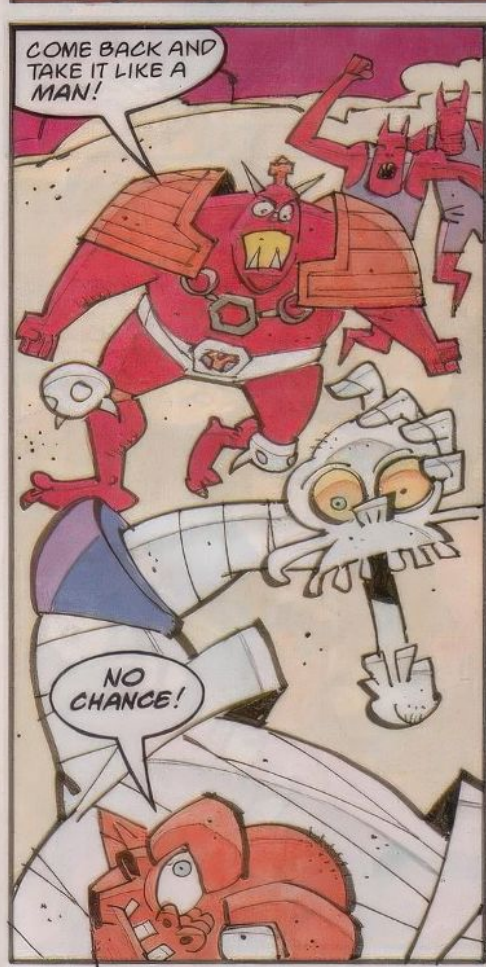
THUD!

AGGH!



WELL, YOU CAN TAKE IGOR IF YOU LIKE... NOBODY WILL MISS HIM!

THANKS A LOT!



COME BACK AND TAKE IT LIKE A MAN!

NO CHANCE!



KR-OOM!



STOP IT STOP IT!

SURELY WE CAN SORT DIS OUT LIKE CIVILISED... ER, DEMONS!



BOY
OH BOY!
WHAT A
HUNK!

VAS?



MY, BUT
AREN'T YOU A
LITTLE CUTIE? I
COULD JUST EAT
YOU!

SHE CAN,
TOO... I'VE SEEN
HER DO IT!



MEIN GOOD
WOMAN, I ... I'M
NOT DAT KIND OV
PROFESSOR!

MMM! THAT
GERMAN ACCENT
JUST DRIVES ME
CRAZY!



WHAT DO
YOU THINK SHE SEES
IN HIM?

IT'S
PROBABLY
THE GREEN
HAIR!

LET ME
SHOW YOU
OFF!



YOU
SIMPLY MUST
MEET THE
TORMENTED SOULS,
CHARMING PEOPLE...
BUT THEY DO GO
ON A BIT!



SO, WHAT
SHOULD WE
DO WITH
THESE
PEOPLE?



NO, YOU
CAN'T LEAVE
ME LIKE
THIS!



OH LET THEM
GO... I WANT TO
BE ALONE WITH MY
PROFESSOR!



DER IST
NO TELLIN
VOT DIS VOMAN
IST CAPABLE
OF!



I DON'T
BELIEVE IN LONG
ENGAGEMENTS,
DO YOU?

I... I... I...



I'D START
SAVING UP FOR A
WEDDING PRESENT
IF I WERE YOU!

NEXT ISSUE: SPECIAL FULL-LENGTH
SONIC STORY, THE FINAL VICTORY. BUT
FEAR NOT, DECAP'S BACK IN STC 101.

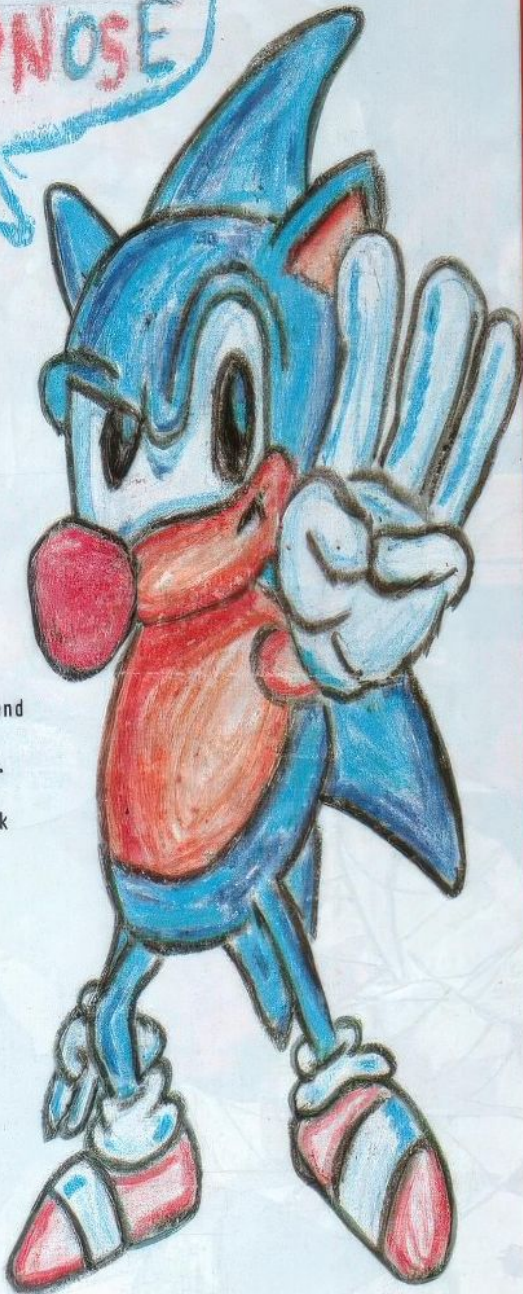
RED NOSE ZONE

EACH ARTIST-HOME WHO GETS THEIR HANDYWORK PRINTED IN *STC* WILL RECEIVE A PACK OF CRAYOLA MINI STAMPERS 2, SHAPED-NIBBED, COLOUR PENS.

...it's on BBC 1,
14 March 1997.
(Check press for
times).

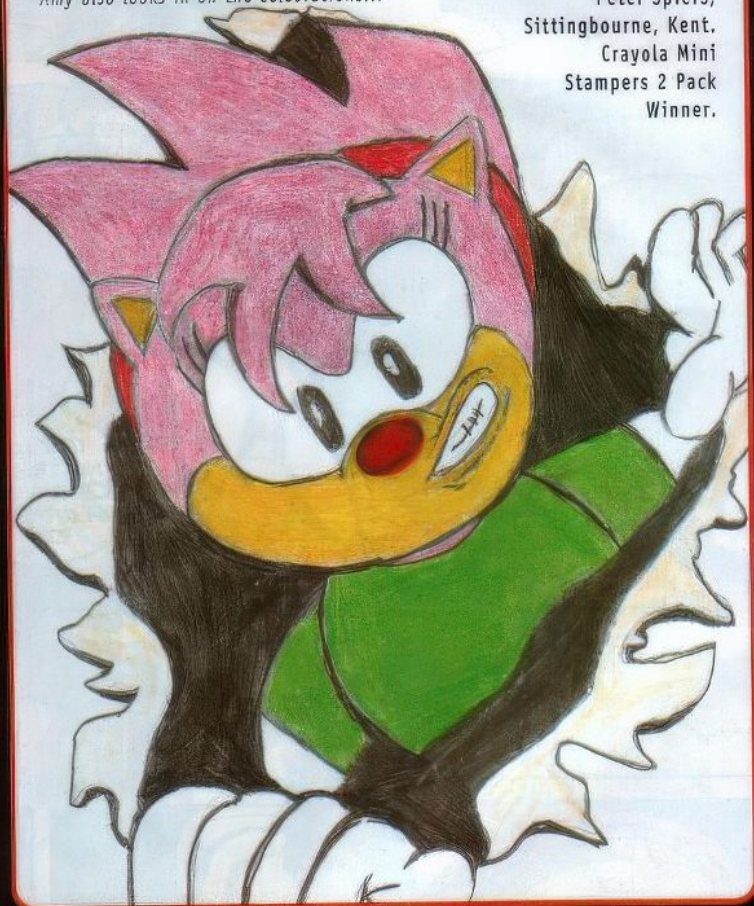
WHERE A
REDNOSE

Anon. Please send
full name and
address details.
Crayola Mini
Stampers 2 Pack
Winner.



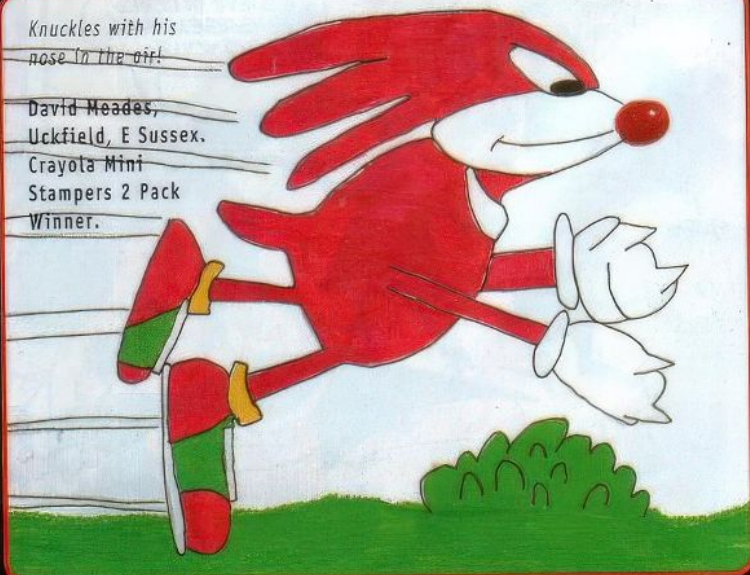
Amy also looks in on the celebrations...

Peter Spiers,
Sittingbourne, Kent.
Crayola Mini
Stampers 2 Pack
Winner.

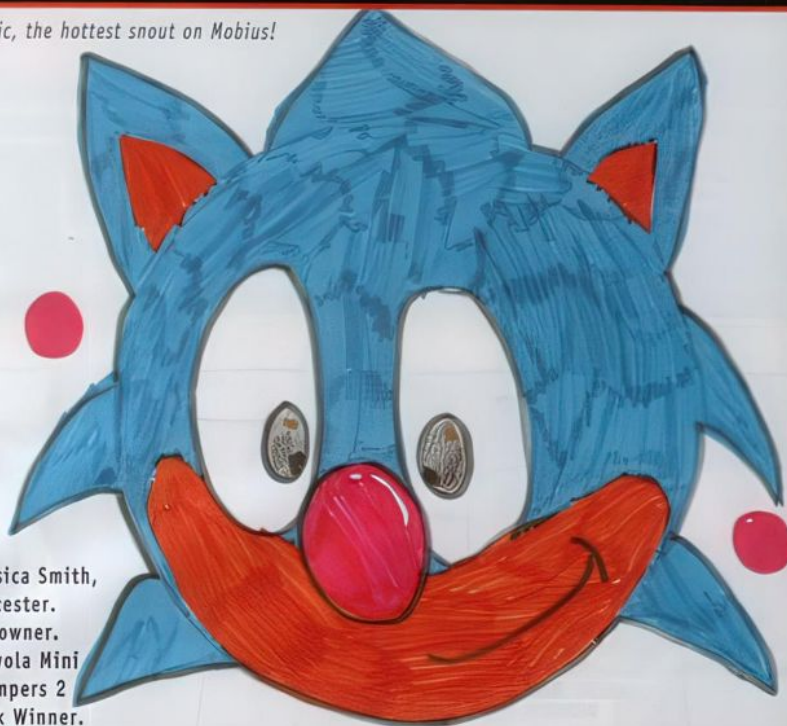


Knuckles with his
nose in the air!

David Meades,
Uckfield, E Sussex.
Crayola Mini
Stampers 2 Pack
Winner.

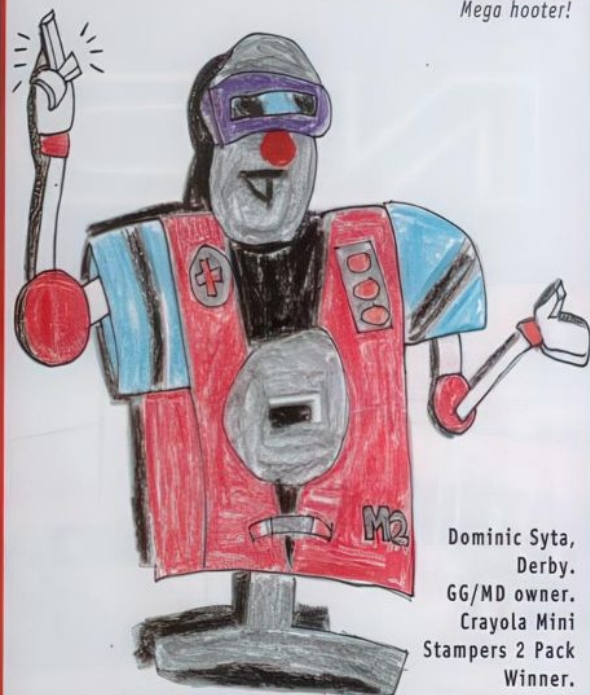


Sonic, the hottest snout on Mobius!



Jessica Smith,
Leicester.
MD owner.
Crayola Mini
Stampers 2
Pack Winner.

Mega hooter!



Dominic Syta,
Derby.
GG/MD owner.
Crayola Mini
Stampers 2 Pack
Winner.

Doctor Nose!



Maeve Rafferty,
Co Down,
N Ireland.
GG owner.
Crayola Mini
Stampers 2
Pack Winner.

Espio has his one pierced!



Lee Allott,
Tameside, Manchester.
MD/MD 32X owner.
Crayola Mini Stampers 2 Pack Winner.

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- Be original and don't copy pictures from the

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THEIR HANDYWORK PRINTED IN
STC WILL RECEIVE A PACK OF
CRAYOLA MINI STAMPERS 2,
SHAPED NIBBED, COLOUR PENS.

For your nearest Crayola
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SONIC'S WORLD

NEW
STORY

NO EXIT

Script: LEW STRINGER Art: ANDY PRITCHETT Lettering: TOM FRAME

A REBELLION IS GOING ON IN THE
CAPITAL CITY OF PLANET MOBIUS...



THERE'S THREE OF THE
FREEDOM FIGHTERS! AMY,
ARE YOU BEHIND THIS UPRISING?



BUT NO ONE PERSON IS BEHIND THIS! WE'VE
ALL HAD ENOUGH OF ROBOTNIK'S BULLYING
TACTICS! NOW WE'RE FIGHTING BACK!



IN CITADEL ROBOTNIK, GRIMER IS IN CHARGE WHILE DOCTOR ROBOTNIK IS ON THE FLOATING ISLAND...

IF THE DOCTOR HEARS ABOUT THIS, I CAN KISS GOOD-BYE TO MY HAIR GEL ALLOWANCE!

WHY AREN'T THE PEOPLE HAPPY TO BE OPPRESSED SLAVES?



*SEE THE CURRENT KNUCKLES STORY - Megadroid.

BACK ON THE STREETS, ROBOT TROOPERS MOVE IN...

BY THE RULE OF DOCTOR ROBOTNIK, SURRENDER OR BE EXTERMINATED!

MMM, GENEROUS CHOICES!



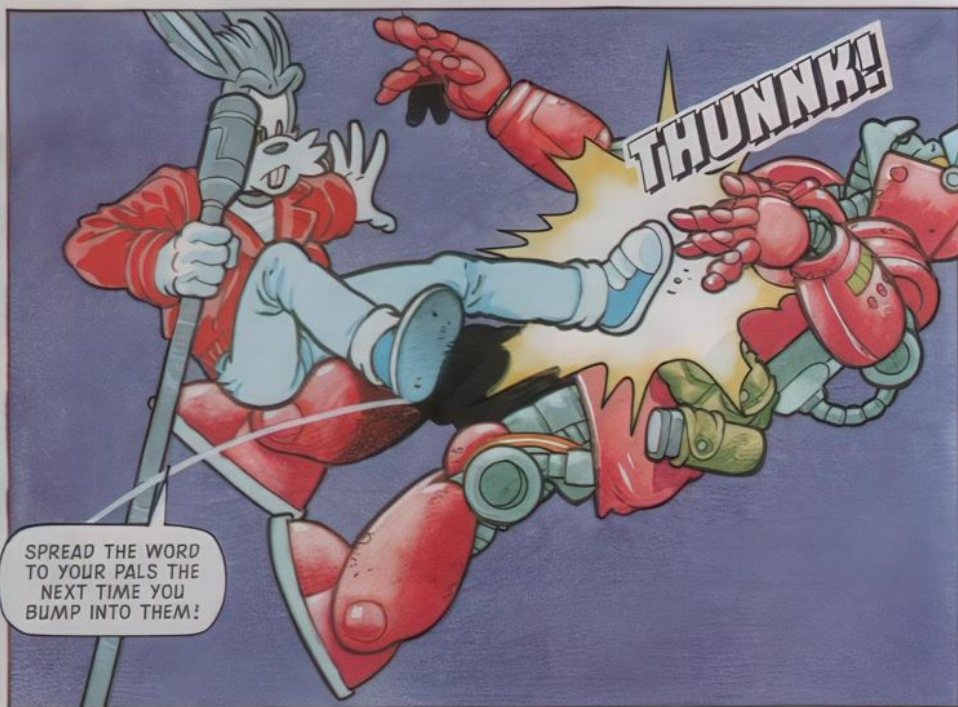
DIDN'T YOU GOONS HEAR THE NEWS? ROBOTNIK'S RULES MEAN NOTHING AROUND HERE NOW!

TAK!



SPREAD THE WORD TO YOUR PALS THE NEXT TIME YOU BUMP INTO THEM!

THUNNK!



NOW WOULD BE A GOOD OPPORTUNITY!

AWWK!

WHAAM!



NICE MOVE, JOHNNY! THESE
TROOPERS DON'T STAND A
CHANCE AGAINST ALL OF US!

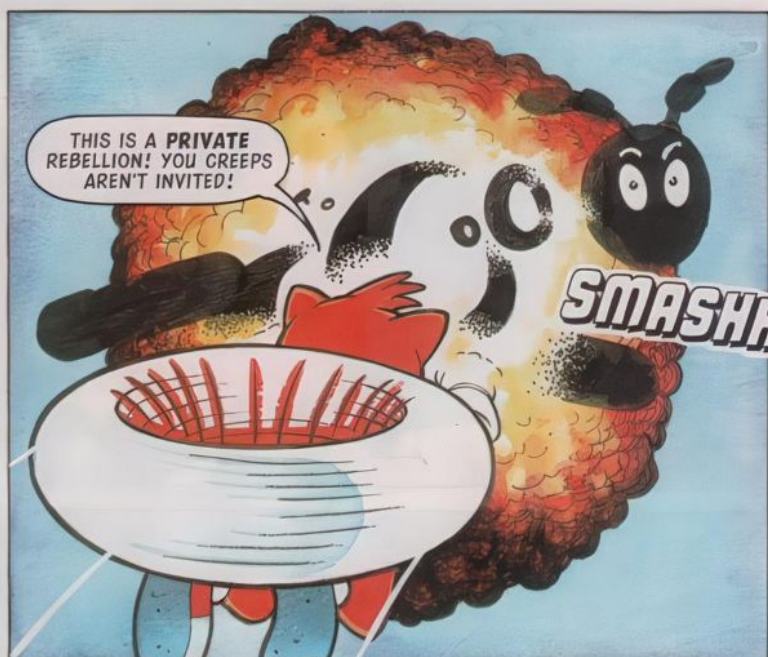
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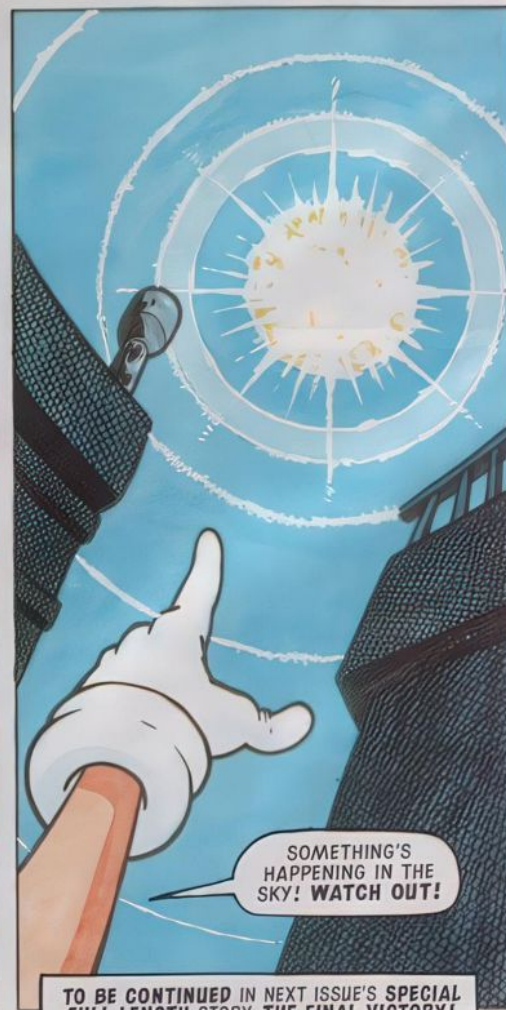
ACTING TYRANT
GRIMER CALLING ALL
BADNIKS IN NEARBY
ZONES! COME TO THE
METROPOLIS ZONE
IMMEDIATELY!

RECEIVING THE COMMAND VIA
THEIR COMPUTER-ENHANCED
MINDS, THE EVIL BADNIKS SWARM
IN! THEIR PRIME DIRECTIVE: TO
DESTROY THE REBELS!

OH NO! GRIMER'S
BRINGING IN
REINFORCEMENTS!

THERE'S HUNDREDS
OF THEM! LOSE
YOURSELVES!





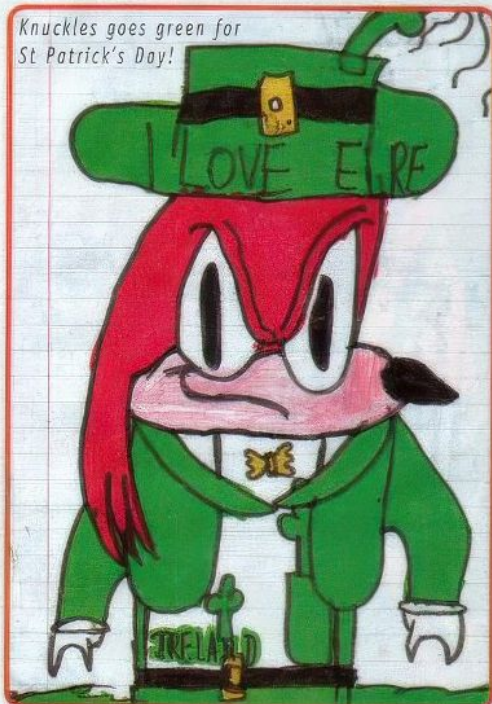


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... OR USE THE E-MAIL SERVICE (SEE BELOW FOR DETAILS).

Knuckles goes green for
St Patrick's Day!



John McCarthy, Seskin, Co Cork, Rep of Ireland.
MD owner.
Sega Mega Hog Tag Winner.

BEAT THE DOC!

Dear STC,

I've read quite a few Sonic stories but not one of them shows Doctor Robotnik being beaten by Sonic and his gang. Why is this? Also, I've always wondered what an Omni-viewer is and what it does. Can you explain?

Robert Holloway, Luton.
Sega Mega Hog Tag Winner.



May I remind you Robert, that anything can happen in the world of Mobius, so look out for the next issue! The Omni-viewer is the guardian of the Special Zone, an information source (not unlike me really!).



Send your e-mail messages to:

stc@egmont.co.uk

Be sure to include your e-mail (postal) address
if you want to win a prize!



TAKE AMY!

Dear Megadroid,

Why is it that all the heroes in Sonic games are boys (do the people who make the games think that girls are wimps?). Also, why can't they put Amy into a game?
Gillian Hughman,
Walthamstow, London.
MS owner.
Sega Mega Hog Tag Winner.



No they're not, Gillian, they're hedgehogs! As for wimps, STC Boomers know how Amy has often saved Sonic's spikes (but don't let him know!). Amy made her games debut in Sonic CD and she also got behind the wheel in Sonic Drift Racing on the Game Gear.

**EVERYTHING PRINTED IN
SPEEDLINES WINS A
SENSATIONAL
SEGA MEGA HOG TAG!**



STC SIGNING!

Dear Megadroid,

My friend Daniel and I are reporting for our school on the Dulwich College Prep School newspaper. We are writing the comic and video game section and wondered how STC gets the info for the Sega game charts? We'd also like to know when the next Sonic Art Convention is and lastly, how you felt when your comic proved to be a success?



**Doug Flynn (and Daniel),
Dulwich, London.
Sega Mega Hog Tag Winners.**



Especially for you Doug and Dan... STC gets its game charts from Chart Track who compile the info supplied to them by ELSPA. This info is also published in other video game mags, and on CEEFAX and Teletext, too.

As already mentioned, you can catch up with the UK Comic Art Convention held at the Institute of Education, Bedford Way, London WC1. The STC signing will be held on Sunday, 16 March at 3.00pm. All children under 14 years of age will be admitted free, provided they are accompanied by an adult (boo!). Boomers wanting more info about the Convention can write to:- Sonic the Comic Signing, PO Box 146, Glasgow, Scotland, G1 5RN.

As for STC's success, remember you can't keep a good thing down!

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